

Janice Tanton

B. OSHAWA, ONTARIO

LIVES & WORKS IN

CANMORE

ABOUT

Janice Tanton is an interdisciplinary Canadian artist whose work explores the power of storytelling through painting, drawing, and mixed media. Living and working in Canmore, Alberta, Tanton creates deeply narrative works that reflect her enduring interest in identity, history, relationships, and the connections between people, place, and culture. Rich with symbolism and emotional depth, her paintings invite viewers into thoughtful conversations that celebrate both personal experience and our shared human stories.

Working primarily in oil and egg tempera, Tanton combines luminous colour, expressive mark-making, and meticulous craftsmanship to create paintings that balance realism with poetic interpretation. Her practice is informed by a remarkably diverse creative background spanning theatre, music, graphic design, publishing, and leadership development, resulting in work that is both visually compelling and intellectually engaging. Whether exploring the Canadian landscape, Indigenous relationships, equestrian themes, or intimate moments of reflection, her paintings are united by a profound sense of curiosity, empathy, and hope.

For more than three decades, Tanton has maintained an accomplished studio practice while championing arts education, community engagement, and cross-cultural dialogue. Her work has been exhibited throughout Canada and internationally and is held in public, corporate, and private collections around the world. Through her thoughtful and deeply personal approach to painting, she continues to create works that celebrate connection, resilience, and the transformative power of storytelling.

EXHIBITIONS

2023

Janice Tanton & Neepin Auger: Featured Artists, Gibson Fine Art,
Calgary, GROUP

2017

New Works, Gibson Fine Art, Calgary, SOLO

2014

Ponokamitaa – The Spirit of the Horse, Gibson Fine Art, Calgary,
SOLO

AWARDS

Alumna of Distinction (Creative Arts & Design), Durham College
Canadian Delegate – First Canada–U.S. Businesswomen's Summit,
Government of Canada / Canada–U.S. Summit
Canada Council for the Arts, Visual Arts Grant, The
Community Fusion Project
Premier ' s Award Nominee (Ontario)
Governor General ' s Leadership Conference, Finalist
Rotman Woman Entrepreneur of the Year Nominee

COLLECTIONS

The Banff Centre for Arts and Creativity
San Fernando/Santa Clarita
Child Abuse Prevention Council
TD Bank
Country Home Candle Co. Inc.
Venator Group
Home Hardware
Sears Canada
The Bradford Exchange
NEBS
Premier Gift
Jason International
Pine Ridge Art Inc.
Town of Canmore
FX Schmid Puzzle Co.
Cracker Barrel
Premier Art
Barnes and Noble
National Geographic
Barton Cotton
The Banff Centre
Siksika Nation